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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 20, 2003, Applicants submit the following Amendment to clarify the claimed invention. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper and include formal drawings.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.